



## What Does Government Do For Me? SPAWN Writing

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Did You Know?

One of the responsibilities of the Governor is to submit a budget to the Legislature. A budget is a plan of how to spend state money wisely.

### Think About It. . . .

1. **Problem Solving:** Why do you think our state government needs a budget?  
(What expenses does our government have?)

2. Explore the [What Does Government Do for Me](#) Internet site to find out how government spends money. (Select the "Impact of Congress" module).

List at least five ways your life is made better through government spending.

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3. **What** might happen if government ran out of money and could not provide these services to the public?

4. **Special Powers:** You have the power to change government spending in one area of your life. Describe what you would change, why you would change it, and the consequences of the change.